



**Subject:** Nuclear Gauge Train-the-Trainer Course

**To:** All individuals interested in Gauge Training

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Radiation Safety Staff

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**The Radiation Safety Staff will be presenting its Nuclear Gauge Train-the-Trainer course December 5-6, 2006 at Texas A&M University, College Station, TX.**

**If you are interested in attending this training, complete the enclosed registration form and fax it to RSS at 301.504.2450. The deadline for registration is October 15, 2006.**

This is a 2-day course that qualifies the individual as an approved trainer under the Department's Nuclear Regulatory Commission license. Trainers who have taken this course are encouraged to present additional radiation safety courses to nuclear gauge users at their locations, providing a cost savings to their Agency. This course also qualifies as approved training to obtain a permit for the use of a gauge.

This is the first course offered by RSS since their license renewal from the NRC. New program and security requirements will be discussed during this course. As in the past, Dr. Steve Evett, ARS, Bushland, TX, will present the technical information on the design and safe use of the gauges.

Training gauges, a Troxler moisture/density gauge and a CPN hydroprobe, are available to provide hands-on training in their use, leak testing, and safe operation. Additional internet training courses for refresher training that are supported by USDA will also be discussed.

The course enables an individual to coordinate the radiation safety program at their facility in accordance with the requirements of the Department's license issued by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, provided that only sealed sources are used.

As in the past, the Texas A&M Continuing & Professional Studies Office will provide administrative support for this program. All lodging and meal costs are covered by the training contract and there is no registration fee. Individuals are only required to fund their travel to and from College Station, TX. If there are any questions, contact me by phone at 301.504.2445 or by e-mail at [jack.patterson@usda.gov](mailto:jack.patterson@usda.gov).

The specific travel and training dates are as follows:

- Monday .....December 4, 2006 .....Travel date
  - Tuesday-Wednesday .....December 5-6, 2006.....Training
  - Wednesday PM or Thursday.....December 7, 2006 .....Return travel for course participants
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**USDA's Radiation Safety Staff**  
and  
**Texas A&M's Continuing & Professional Studies Office**  
are presenting a

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<input type="checkbox"/> Dr. <input type="checkbox"/> Mr. <input type="checkbox"/> Ms. <input type="checkbox"/> Miss <input type="checkbox"/> Mrs.	First Name	MI	Last Name
<b>Print your name as you would like it to appear on the training certificate</b>			
Social Security Number (To be used for USDA training records)			
Office Phone Number		Office Fax Number	
Your Email address			
Agency	Organization / Facility name		
Mailing address			
City		State	Zip Code
Please include any comments, special room or dietary accommodation instructions here. Rooms are "No Smoking" unless otherwise indicated.			
Indicate the size of the T-shirt you would like to receive			
<input type="checkbox"/> Small <input type="checkbox"/> Medium <input type="checkbox"/> Large <input type="checkbox"/> X-Large <input type="checkbox"/> XX-Large <input type="checkbox"/> XXX-Large			
<b>RSS Contact</b>  Jack Patterson (W) 301.504.2445 (F) 301.504.2450 (E) jpatterson@rss.usda.gov		<b>Training Center Contact</b>  Karen Berg (W) 979.862.7564 (F) 979.845-6407 (E) kberg@capso.tamu.edu	
<b>For CAPSO Use Only</b>  Reservation Letter: _____  Confirmation Letter: _____  Fact Sheet: _____			